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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: AORG, APER, UN  
SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UN FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL  
(UNFDAC)

REF: STATE 76918

1. SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL DISCUSSED WITH USYG GEORGE DAVIDSON  
ON MAY 3. DAVIDSON SAID THAT AT APRIL ACC MEETING DE BEUS  
QUERIES HIM ON INTENTIONS OF SYG DE BEUS' FUTURE, TO WHICH  
DAVIDSON SUGGESTED THAT MATTER BE RAISED DIRECTLY WITH WALDHEIM.  
SUBSEQUENTLY DAVIDSON DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH WALDHEIM AND  
BELIEVES THAT SYG IS FIRM -- ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF DUTCH  
EXPRESSED DESIRE THAT DE BEUS NOT REMAIN IN THIS POST --  
IN NOT EXTENDING DE BEUS AND SEEKING REPLACEMENT.  
WALDHEIM, WHO HAS EXPRESSED REPEATEDLY TO DAVIDSON HIS  
DESIRE TO REPLACE GHERAB AS UN DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL,  
SUGGESTS THAT GHERAB BE REASSIGNED TO UNFDAC POST, TO WHICH  
DAVIDSON TOOK STRONG EXCEPTION AND WAS ABLE TO DISABUSE  
SYG OF THIS IDEA. FOR SYG TO OFFER THIS SUGGESTION  
DEMONSTRATES, IN DAVIDSON'S OPINION, WALDHEIM'S LACK OF  
INTEREST IN UNFDAC SINCE HE APPARENTLY CONSIDERS EXECUTIVE  
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DIRECTOR POST A QTE THROWAWAY UNQTE TO ACCOMMODATE ONE OF HIS  
POLITICAL LIABILITIES.

2. RE WELLMAN, DE BEUS AND UNOG DIRECTOR WINSPEARE BOTH  
HAVE RECOMMENDED EXTENSION OF HIS CONTRACT BEYOND SEPTEMBER  
30, 1977 BUT NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN AS YET ON THIS  
RECOMMENDATION. IF WELLMAN IS EXTENDED -- AND DAVIDSON SEES

NO REASON TO OPPOSE -- THIS CLEARLY WOULD FORECLOSE POSSIBILITY OF USG OPTING FOR DE BEUS POST.

3. APPROACH SUGGESTED BY DAVIDSON IS NOT REPEAT NOT TO ATTEMPT TO PLACE AN AMERICAN IN UNFDAC POST SINCE THIS MAY BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE BY MAKING US INFLUENCE TOO VISIBLE; FURTHERMORE, US INFLUENCE IN UNFDAC AT PRESENT IS MAXIMUM AND CANNOT BE INCREASED WITH ONE OR ANY NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL US NATIONALS IN THE SECRETARIAT. ALTERNATIVE IS FOR US TO OPT TO HOLD ON TO WELLMAN POST AND TO PLACE UNFDAC AND DNC UNDER AUTHORITY OF SAME INDIVIDUAL.

4. COMMENT: DESIRABILITY OF US SEEKING TO OBTAIN UNFDAC EXDIR POST FOR US NATIONAL IS SUBSTANTIVE MATTER WHICH WE DO NOT FEEL QUALIFIED TO COMMENT ON OTHER THAN FACT THAT WE SEE LOGIC IN DAVIDSON'S THINKING. GIVEN FACT THAT WE HAVE BEEN PRESSING WALDHEIM TO NAME GRANT TO UNICEF POST VICE LABOUISSSE, THE OVERALL FAVORABLE POSITION OF THE US VIS-A-VIS OTHER MEMBERS IN ASYG/USYG POSTS, AND WALDHEIM RELUCTANCE TO APPEAR TO BE TOO ACCOMMODATING TO THE DEVELOPED WESTERN COUNTRIES, WE BELIEVE THAT OUR OPTING FOR UNFDAC POST WOULD BE A LONG AND DIFFICULT ROAD TO TRAVEL WITH UNCERTAIN SUCCESS. WALDHEIM'S POSITION ON SENIOR LEVEL PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS APPEARS TO US TO BE EVEN MORE POLITICALLY MOTIVATED, INCLUDING HIS DESIRE NOT TO MAKE ANY WAVES AND TO ACCOMMODATE AN INCREASING NUMBER AND VARIETY OF PRESSURES. IF WE PRESS HARD FOR THIS POSITION WE MUST ACCEPT FACT THAT WE WILL HAVE TO USE UP A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF INFLUENCE IN THE PROCESS -- WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS THE PLACE  
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TO CASH IN THESE POINTS WITH WALDHEIM ONLY DEPARTMENT CAN ANSWER. HOWEVER, FROM OUR VANTAGE POINT WE THINK THIS IS NOT THE RIGHT TIME AND PLACE. END COMMENT.  
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